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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for U.S. Application No. 09/995,328 filed November 27, 2001, entitled "PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF PHENYLENE-BIS-BENZIMIDAZOLE-TETRASULFONIC ACID DISODIUM SALT" and a stamped receipt post card are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. §1.10 on the date indicated and is addressed: ATTN: Box CPA, Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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